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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

MEGUMI YOSHIDA

Application No.: 09/422,565

Filed: October 21, 1999

For: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING CHARACTERS, AND STORAGE MEDIUM STORING CHARACTERS PROCESSING PROGRAM

Examiner: M. Tran

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2002 for one month from January 2, 2003 to February 2, 2003.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,
California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to
our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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